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Focal point of this enchanting region is Mt. Kosciusko itself, the "Rooftop of Australia" rising 2228m above the continent, about which this holiday land revolves.

To the north of Kosciusko stretches the chain of Snowy Mountains, the picturesque Tumut Valley and the National Capital, Canberra. To the east lies Cooma, the Eastern "Gateway" to the Snowy Mountains, and beyond, the precipitous slopes of the Great Dividing Range falling towards the sea.

South of Kosciusko is Victoria, the headwaters of the mighty Murray River and the Monaro plains. To the west is Khancoban and Corryong, the "Western Gateway" set within the shadow of Kosciusko itself.

Here in this exciting land, a conglomerate of all that is perfect and beautiful, is everything for the visitor — spectacular views, Australia's premier snow resorts, the massive Snowy Mountains Scheme, trout fishing, boating and nightlife.

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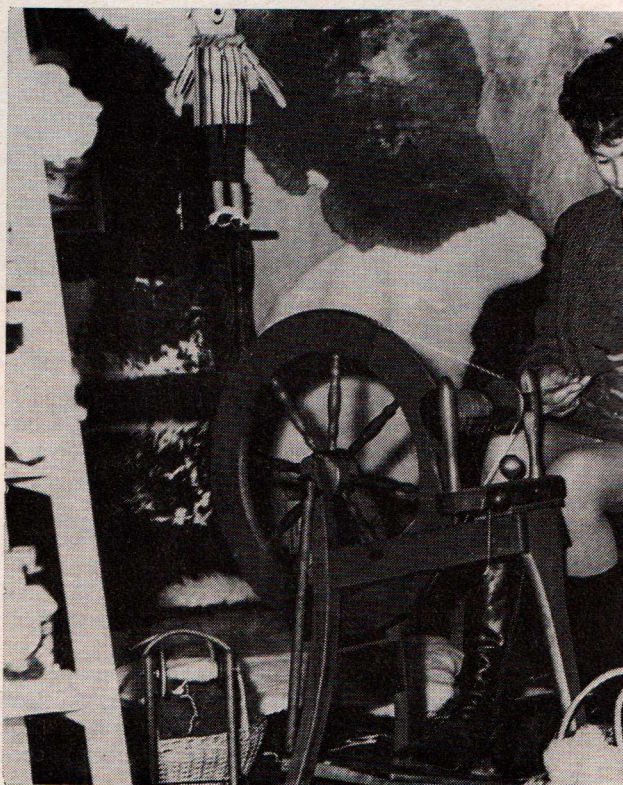
Cooma, almost half-way between Sydney and Melbourne, is fast becoming one of Australia's premier holiday centres — for many years it has been the tourist centre of the rich Monaro and nearby Snowy Mountains.

Served by fast, modern road systems from every direction, daily air services, coach and rail transport, the town is easy to locate and on arrival visitors lose no time in finding plenty to see and do, both in Cooma and in the surrounding countryside.

There are more than a dozen hotels and motels in Cooma, all of them comfortable and well-appointed — some of them, particularly the Marlborough Motel, with its imposing skyline, modern architecture and superb restaurant, of international standard.

For a real family atmosphere, warmth and comfort the smaller Nebula Motel is extremely popular and if you are looking for somewhere "off the busy highway" in real bushland setting yet still right in Cooma, the United Motel offers yet another choice.

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grounds in Cooma and at the Snowtels Caravan Park you will find ample room, cabins, power and modern facilities combined with shady trees and colourful native shrubs and flower gardens.

Cooma is an ideal starting point from where visitors, with the aid of friendly advice from the Municipal Visitors' Information Centre, can visit the snowfields, the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme, the Kosciusko National Park and any of dozens of delightful trout fishing streams a short drive from town.

The famous Murrumbidgee River is only about 8km away and vast Lake Eucumbene only a short drive from town.

But there is much more to holidays Cooma style than only lakes and snow and the huge outdoors . . . there is friendly hospitality at every turn, hospitality unique to the country and much sought after by city visitors.

In little more than 150 years since the discovery of the Cooma area by the first pioneer settlers, the town has grown from a sheep and cattle run to a busy and cosmopolitan centre

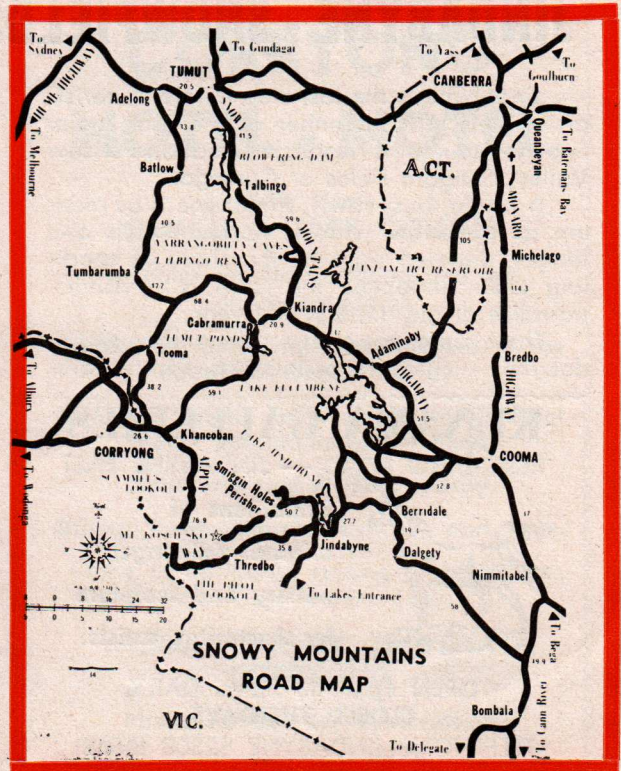
catering for the tourists' every need and at the same time retaining and embellishing its rich rural heritage.

Today visitors can partake of real country living, they can visit the Travellers' Rest Pioneer Museum a few kilometres west of Cooma and savour the spirit in which their rural forebears tamed this, the Snowy River country.

Take the youngsters for a visit to Fairytale Park atop Cooma's Mt. Gladstone where they can marvel at many of their favourite story-book tales accurately reproduced in life-size scenes, complete with castles, fairy pools and a ginger bread house.

In Cooma's picturesque Centennial Park is the world famous Avenue of Flags representing the 27 nations from which many of the workmen associated with the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme originated.

Visitors to Ye Olde Spinning Wheel in Cooma's main street can see demonstrations of the art of wool spinning (BELOW) and explore shelves stacked high with Australiana and local bric-a-brac.





# BERRIDALE

Bitumen roads radiate in all directions from Berridale, the headquarters of the Snowy River Shire and charming village boasting no less than a modern motel, historic hotel and comfortable camping and caravan ground.

Travel in any direction from the centre of Berridale and you will soon discover a wealth of scenic attractions — the Snowy River at nearby Dalgety, Lake Eucumbene with its



trout fishing and boating marinas, the Snowy Mountains and to the east, Cooma.

There are also holiday flats and cabins for rent in and around the township and many fishermen and holidaymakers regularly make Berridale their base from which to explore the remainder of the region.

In winter Berridale becomes a major stopping place for thousands of travellers as they replenish supplies and fuel for the hour-long drive to the snowfields resorts — they can also hire skis, toboggans and snow equipment in the town.

Further south of Berridale, past Dalgety, is the rural town of Bombala — long known for its trout fishing and convenient location. Bombala is one of the few places in Australia from where visitors can travel to the snow country one day and to the sun-soaked beaches of the South Pacific the next.

Travelling north from Berridale, motorists can take a scenic short-cut to the Snowy Mountains Highway passing by Middlingbank on Lake Eucumbene.

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A bright, busy town, Jindabyne is as modern as tomorrow with its hotels, motels and lodges. Situated right on the shore of sparkling Lake Jindabyne the town is a visitors' paradise at any time of the year.

There are shops of every description at Jindabyne — chemists, restaurants, sports stores



and cafes. The town even has its own art gallery, comparable with any of its type in the large cities.

Among the many activities available in and around Jindabyne are horse riding, mountain walks, boating, fishing, swimming, water and snow skiing and just plain lazing around.

Visitors also pass through Jindabyne travelling to and from Victoria along the scenic Alpine Way.

Jindabyne is a town familiar with everyone who has visited the snowfields resorts — in summer it bristles with talk of the "big trout", the one that got away or, more often, the trout which looked so good frying in the pan.

In winter it is a different story — this time the town is alive with colour and excitement. The nearby peaks capped in snow, on every car a pair of skis. Now the talk is of "down hill runs", powder snow, apre ski and open fires in alpine lodges.

The town puts on a different face for every season and yet the welcome always remains the same!

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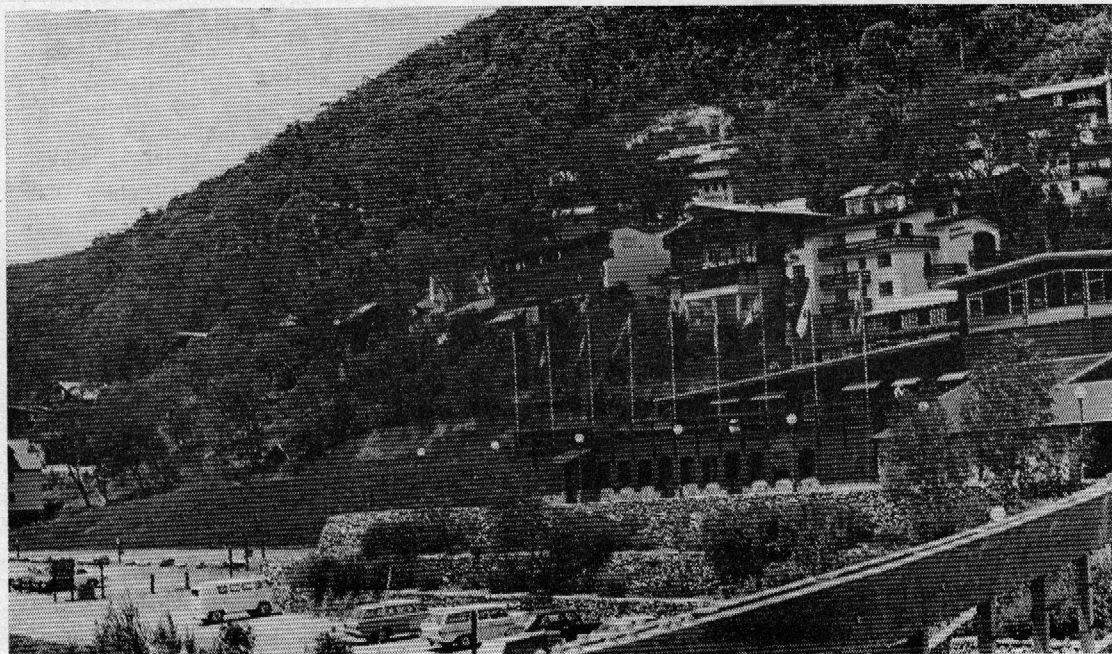
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The Corryong area is famed for its pleasing scenery, its horses and legendary horsemen and its magnificent lookouts — also high on its list of attractions is the genuine warmth of friendliness with which it greets visitors.

Travellers enter the Snowy country via the Alpine Way from Corryong and first stop after Khancoban is the year 'round holiday resort, Thredbo Village (ABOVE).

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Like many other centres in the Snowy Mountains, Adaminaby has its own hotel, two motels, a camping and caravan ground and ample modern holiday cottages and flats.

Extremely popular among trout fishermen, Adaminaby is within a few minutes access of either Lake Eucumbene or the Murrumbidgee River. There are also many other trout streams in the area and Tantangara Reservoir and Lake Blowering are to the north.

Adaminaby is also popular among young folk and families seeking a holiday with a difference. Here you can spend a few days living life on a sheep property, watch the shearing, sing around the camp fires and ride horseback in the surrounding hills.

The Adaminaby shopping centre features a newsagency, information centre, super-market, cafe and a picnic park in which pride of place is a giant trout statue rising above the town — the "world's largest trout" and one well worth capturing on film.

There is also a picture theatre, bowling club and golf course and an airstrip near the town. Follow the highway north and discover Kiandra, scene of the great goldrush during the last century where some of the early diggings still stand as a silent monument to those hardy fossickers of an age gone by.

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